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SUBJECT: DETENTION OF EIGHT POLITICAL PRISONERS

DEPARTMENT HAS RECEIVED LETTER FROM AMERICAN FRIENDS  
COMMITTEE REQUESTING ASSISTANCE IN CASES OF EIGHT POLITICAL  
PRISONERS, SEVEN WHOSE JAIL SENTENCES ARE DUE TO END ON  
NOVEMBER 10, 1977. DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR  
ALERTING FOREIGN MINISTRY WORKING GROUP TO U.S. INTEREST  
IN THEIR SITUATION. WE APOLOGIZE FOR PAUCITY OF INFORMATION.  
BUT FEEL THAT URGENCY OF CASE MAKES WAIVER OF DETAILS A  
NECESSITY.

ALL EIGHT PRISONERS ARE FROM AZUL, BUENOS AIRES PROVINCE.

JUAN GONZALES, EDUARDO GONZALEZ, RUBEN PIAZZA, EDUARDO  
GRUTSKY AND OSVALDO GASPARINI ARE BEING HELD IN SIERRA  
CHICA PRISON.

JULIO VARELA IS HELD IN LA PLATA PRISON.  
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SUSANA PIOLI ANDEDITHSTAHELLI DE FRIAS ARE BEING HELD AT  
VILLA DEVOTO. (PIOLI HAS NEVER BEEN SENTENCED)

ALL PRISONERS ARE FROM AZUL, BUENOS AIRES PROVINCE. ONLY  
DETAILS WE HAVE ARE FOR RUBEN PIAZZA WHOSE ADDRESS WAS:  
758 BURGOS, AZUL, ARGENTINA. HIS IDENTITY CARD NUMBER IS  
11-480-941.

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